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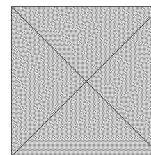
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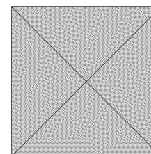
Top News



Emergency Declared in Ferguson After Shooting

By JOHN ELIGON and MITCH SMITH

Charges were filed against an 18-year-old who was shot by the police on the anniversary of the killing of Michael Brown, and late Monday police arrested more protesters after isolated scuffles.



Watts, 50 Years On, Stands in Contrast to Today's Conflicts

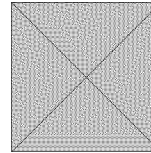
By JENNIFER MEDINA

A symbol of racial tensions after riots broke out on Aug. 11, 1965, Watts, a neighborhood in Los Angeles, has made strides in relations between the police and the community. But it is no utopia.

▣ [The Watts Riots](#)

Google to Reorganize in Move to Keep Its Lead as an Innovator

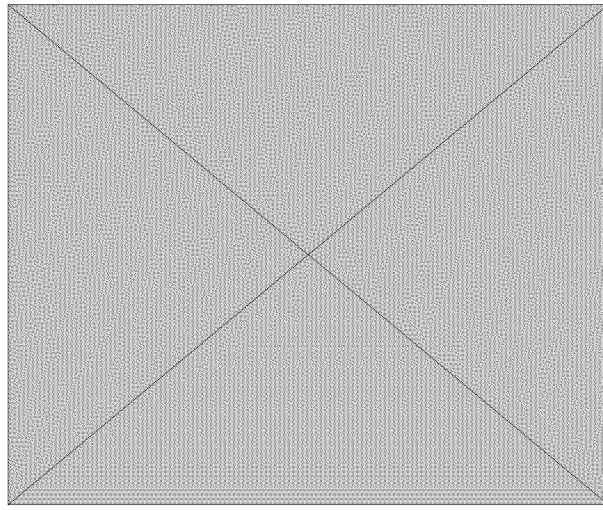
By CONOR DOUGHERTY



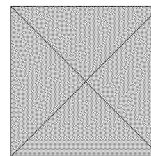
Under the new name, Alphabet, the company is signaling that it has essentially become a collection of disparate businesses.

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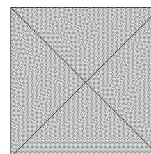


BOOKS | Books of The Times

Review: Ayn Rand's 'Ideal' Presents a Protagonist Familiar in Her Superiority

By MICHIKO KAKUTANI

This novel, written in 1934 and not published until now, features one of Rand's Nietzschean characters, a pessimist alienated from a world she regards with disdain.



OPINION

50 Years Later, We Still Haven't Learned From Watts

By JEANNE THEOHARIS

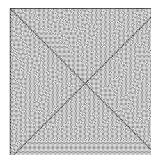
The riots capped years of activism and anger, but the media pretended they were spontaneous. Sound familiar?

QUOTATION OF THE DAY

"There's always a sense things can boil over, but there's a sense of maturity here."

NINA REVOYR, the chief operating officer for the Children's Institute, which runs dozens of programs in the Los Angeles neighborhood of Watts, on how things have changed since the riots 50 years ago.

Today's Videos

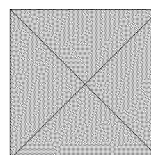


Video: **#BlackTwitter After #Ferguson**

On the anniversary of Michael Brown's death, three prominent activists read their tweets from the past year and reflect on the challenges and legacy of the Black Lives Matter movement.

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World



For Many in Spain, a Heralded Economic Recovery Feels Like a Bust

By SUZANNE DALEY

The majority of the country's new jobs are part-time and offer low wages, experts say, and some employees are expected to do hours of unpaid work.

Japan Restarts Reactor, Lifting 2-Year Ban on Nuclear Power

By JONATHAN SOBLE

The reactor at the Sendai Nuclear Power Plant, in Kagoshima prefecture, is the first to return to service.

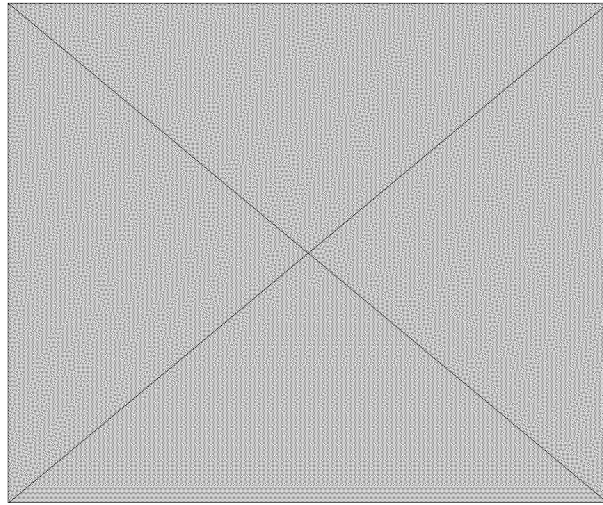
A French Couple's Love for the American West Ends in Tragedy

By AURELIEN BREEDEN

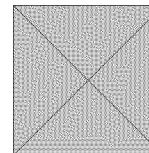
David and Ornella Steiner were found dead in a New Mexico desert last week. Their 9-year-old son survived, likely because they sacrificed water to save him.

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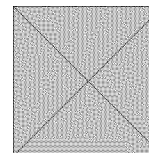
U.S.



Environmental Agency Uncorks Its Own Toxic Water Spill at Colorado Mine

By JULIE TURKEWITZ

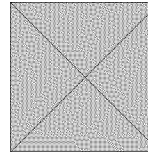
Residents of Durango, Colo., are fuming over an E.P.A. mistake that sent three million gallons of mine waste into the town's cultural soul, the Animas River.



Want a Real Old White House Memento? Warning: It Won't Be Cheap

By JADA F. SMITH

A previously unknown piece of ornamental wood from the White House of Abraham Lincoln and John Quincy Adams is about to hit the auction market and could fetch \$500,000.



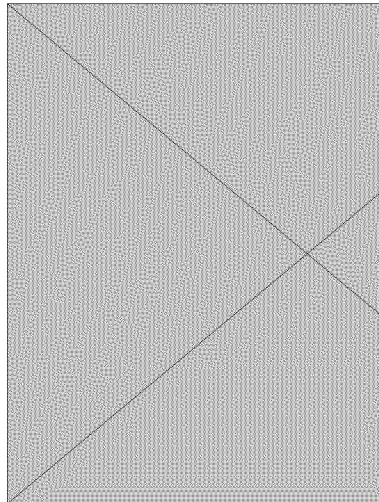
Housing for Homeless Veterans Is Planned for Ex-Walter Reed Site

By MIKAYLA BOUCHARD

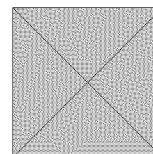
A deal being negotiated by the city of Washington and the Army may give the shuttered Walter Reed Army Medical Center a renewed purpose.

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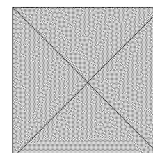


Megyn Kelly Says She Won't Be Cowed by Donald Trump

By JEREMY W. PETERS and DANIEL VICTOR

"This is a tough business," the Fox News host told viewers, brushing off the candidate's comments, "and it's time now to move forward."

▣ [Donald Trump Remains Defiant on News Programs Amid G.O.P. Backlash](#)

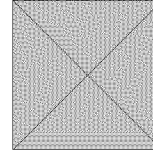


A Republican Agitator in the Senate Makes Friends Across the

Aisle

By JENNIFER STEINHAUER

Mike Lee, the junior senator from Utah who helped lead the government shutdown effort, has a reputation of defying party leaders as well as cooperating with Democrats on libertarian-leaning policy.



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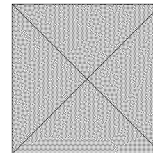
Lawrence Lessig to Explore a Run for President as a Democrat

By FIRST DRAFT

Mr. Lessig, the Harvard professor and democratic theorist, said he would explore a protest bid for the Democratic nomination if he can raise \$1 million in small donations by Labor Day, and would tie his campaign to the issue of empowering small donors in politics.

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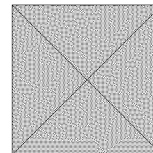
Business



China Devalues Its Currency as Economic Slowdown Raises Concerns

By NEIL GOUGH and KEITH BRADSHER

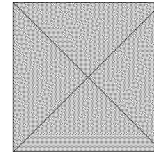
The devaluation of the renminbi appeared to be a response to signs that China's economy was slowing too fast for comfort and could raise tension with trading partners like the United States.



Stephen Colbert's Plans for His New Show, and a Prayer for Trump

By JOHN KOBLIN

Stephen Colbert, the new host of "The Late Show" on CBS, says he's eager to get back onstage and jokingly shared his hopes regarding Donald J. Trump's presidential campaign.



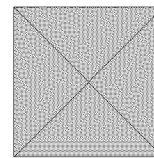
Stock Buybacks Draw Scrutiny From Politicians

By ANDREW ROSS SORKIN

Hillary Clinton and others are asking whether there's a need for greater regulation of stock buybacks, on which companies have spent \$7 trillion since 2004.

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Technology

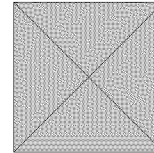


Sundar Pichai Will Lead Google With Users in Mind

By DAVID STREITFELD and MIKE ISAAC

The newly appointed chief executive owes his new job to his success in making Google products easier to use and thus more popular.

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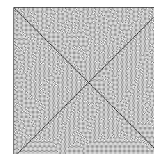


State of the Art

Giving Google Room to Dream Big Beyond Search

By FARHAD MANJOO

From Google's start, Larry Page has been afflicted with a desire for two competing corporate virtues: focus and expansiveness.



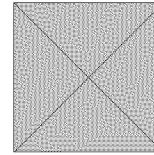
Jack Dorsey and Other Twitter Insiders Make Show of Support

By MIKE ISAAC

The interim chief executive is among a group of executives making stock purchases during one of the company's most difficult times.

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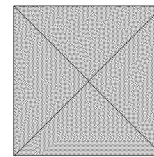
Sports



Los Angeles Is a Frugal, if Not Flashy, Option for the 2024 Games

By IAN LOVETT

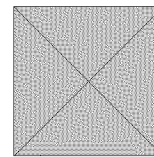
With some of the infrastructure already in place and ready to be reused, Los Angeles is considered the most likely American candidate to host the 2024 Olympics following the collapse of Boston's bid.



NBC Retains Rights to Premier League in Six-Year Deal

By RICHARD SANDOMIR

NBC, which has used English soccer to define its NBCSN cable network, made a deal worth about \$1 billion, basically double the annual cost of NBC's current contract.



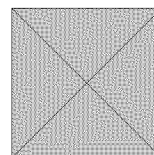
Rory McIlroy Says He's '100 Percent' for P.G.A. Championship

By BILL PENNINGTON

McIlroy, who ruptured ankle ligaments while playing soccer on July 4, said he would tee off in a much-anticipated Thursday grouping with Jordan Spieth and Zach Johnson.

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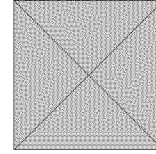
Arts



Review: 'Cymbeline' Unspools Its Many Plot Twists at the Delacorte Theater

By CHARLES ISHERWOOD

This Shakespeare in the Park production stars Lily Rabe and Hamish Linklater as a couple torn apart and then reunited.

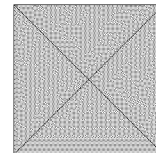


Critic's Notebook

Vail International Dance Festival Sets Itself Apart With an Enchanting Lineup

By ALASTAIR MACAULAY

This festival featured a plenitude of dance talent while also showcasing several young performers who are still on their way to the top.



Critic's Notebook

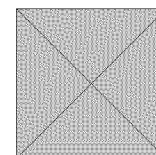
With 'Kill the Lights,' Luke Bryan Downshifts a Country Party

By JON CARAMANICA

The country star's fifth studio album is his most mature, and he's no longer playing spring break raves. What a drag.

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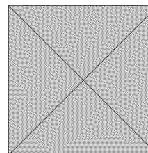
New York



Hotel That Enlivened the Bronx Is Now a 'Hot Spot' for Legionnaires'

By WINNIE HU and NOAH REMNICK

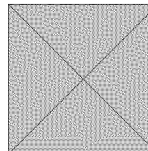
A boutique hotel with terrazzo floors, custom furnishings and concierge service is now at the center of the worst outbreak of Legionnaires' disease in the city's history.



Delays for N.J. Transit Train Riders May Become 'Norm,' Amtrak Official Warns

By KATE ZERNIKE

The proposed Gateway project would create a new tunnel and allow for the projected doubling in the number of train commuters, Stephen Gardner told New Jersey legislators.



New York State Test Questions Tricky for 3rd Graders, and Maybe Some Adults

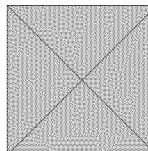
By KATE TAYLOR and ELIZABETH A. HARRIS

Many questions and answers from this year's third- through eighth-grade tests were publicly released to show parents the kind of work their children were expected to do.

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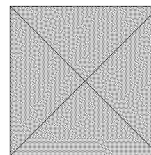


Billy Sherrill, Producer Who Brought New Sound to Country

Music, Dies at 78

By JON CARAMANICA

Mr. Sherrill helped kick-start the career of Tammy Wynette, breathed new life into a declining George Jones and was an architect of the so-called countrypolitan sound.



David Nobbs, Novelist and Creator of Reginald Perrin, Dies at 80

By MARGALIT FOX

Mr. Nobbs, a British novelist and comedy writer, was best known for "The Fall and Rise of Reginald Perrin," the dark BBC sitcom of the 1970s.

Gus Mortson, Defenseman Who Helped Toronto Win Four Stanley Cups, Dies at 90

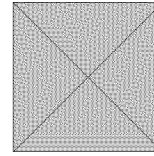
By RICHARD GOLDSTEIN

Mortson teamed with Jim Thomson in a Maple Leafs pairing that was among the league's toughest.

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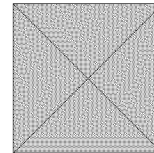
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Democrats Offer Ways to Make College Affordable

By THE EDITORIAL BOARD

Young Americans buried by student loans want fresh thinking from presidential candidates on the crisis.

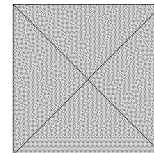


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Time to Reassess Sinai Peacekeeping Force

By THE EDITORIAL BOARD

International peacekeepers in Egypt's Sinai are under greater threat and tasked with an increasingly obsolete mission.



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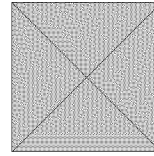
Mayor de Blasio's Plan for Affordable Housing

By THE EDITORIAL BOARD

With a new rezoning plan, Mayor Bill de Blasio hopes to spur the creation of permanent affordable housing.

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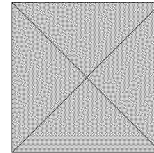


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Why 'Smart' Objects May Be a Dumb Idea

By ZEYNEP TUFEKCI

Our cars, fridges and even bank safes are connected to the Internet. It's making us vulnerable in new and alarming ways.

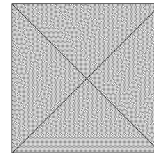


Op-Ed Columnist

Europe's Deepest Debt

By ROGER COHEN

At this critical moment, it is essential to recall the road traveled since 1945. Germany's debt to Europe can never be repaid.



Op-Ed Columnist

N.F.L.'s Bogus Settlement for Brain-Damaged Former Players

By JOE NOCERA

A deal to resolve a lawsuit by retired athletes wouldn't have helped Junior Seau or others with chronic traumatic encephalopathy.

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On Aug. 11, 1965, deadly rioting and looting broke out in the predominantly black Watts section of Los Angeles.

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